

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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A banknote detecting unit for a banknote distinguishing device includes a transmitting sensor which includes a light emitting section and a light receiving section which are located on opposite sides of a banknote passageway. A reflecting sensor includes a light transmitting section and a light receiving section which are located on the same side of the banknote passageway. A first transmitting sensor is structured by a first axis of a first light emitting section which is at an obtuse angle to the banknote passageway and a first light receiving section which is located on the first axis and is located opposite the first light emitting section. A first reflecting sensor formed from the first light emitting section and a second light receiving section which is located on the same side as the first emitting section.